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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2003. Kindly enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATIONS

On page 6, line 10, replace the description for Figure 10 with:

--- Figure 10 is a partial front view of a portion of the front wafer mask 40. ---

On page 6, line 14, replace the description of Figure 12 with:

--- Figure 12 is a section view taken along line 12-- 12 A - A of Figure 11. ---